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It is recommended that a new Assistant
to the Chief Clerk's Office.

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Let's not consider it

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Muzrai)

NOTES.

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FILE HEADING.

Appointment of a Muzrai Assistant to
The M.C. in Mysore.

FROM

The Rev. Commr.

No. C.C. (A) 41

Dated

21. 12. 28.

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Diary No.

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Submits a copy of his circular issued to Dy. Commrs. of Distrs indicating the glaring defects in most of the muz districts, and suggests that for reasons stated by him the Senior Assistant to the R.C. may also be

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Appointed as the muz. Assistant with a consolidated duty allowance of Rs 100/- per mensem and authorized to help the R.C. in carrying out the duties of his office.
Submit for orders.

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NOTES—First Sheet.

to there with
to show the
circumstances under
which the present
arrangement is
made & the need
with is also
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may be sent to her. Bq.
For a note as to what the
present arrangement of the R.C's
office for work connected with both
Muzrai and Revenue is, i.e. whether
the No. of Assistants to the R.
has not been fixed with ref. to
both Rev and Muz. work or whether
the Muz. work was added on to
the Assistants later on after
their special appointments as
Assistants to the R.C.

Submitt

The Duty - a woman
is proposed to be raised
to \$100 on account of
her duties in to be done outside
the office. When the Post will be
required to go out for inspection.
He will draw travelling allowance
for work outside & the raising
of his duty allowance for this
purpose does not seem called for.
The War Branch may wish if
approved to note on this above
point raised above to find out
if there is any justification for
~~this demand of allowance~~
necessity to declare the of the Post
as they Post. And whether in the interests
of both the Rev & the Lord this might
be justified by declaring the Post as they
Post. ~~There is no possibility~~ of his becoming

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more a tendency to thing than to do work
and the question whether the other. But
could be a kind of revenue work alone
& whether on account of increase of
that work, there may well be a
claim on his part for increased pay
or status in future may have also
to be considered.

H. S. (Sd)

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The officer proposed to be designated
as Deputy asst. will be an officer of the
civil service, with no technical knowledge
of mining matters, and I do not think
the Dy. Commr. will welcome an inspection
by a civil service assistant of subordinate
rank. It is best that the inspections
are conducted by the Dy. Commr. himself.
There is of course no objection to his
asst., in charge of mining work preparing
notes and materials for the Commr's
order.

The M. S. proposal virtually amounts to
an enhancement of the pay allowance
of the Asst. in charge of the Section to Rs. 100.
The pay and allowances of this officer are
borne entirely by Govt. Revenue. And
the question of enhancement has, I think, to
be dealt with in the C. B. Section.

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of the allowance in financial pounds
whether ~~consideration~~ the plan
will not in like a recommendation
from of the other ass^(7th Re) are for
consideration.

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agree in the above
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next monthly meeting, 20th

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the programme regarding
monthly meeting is received

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(may be put up also as 17
for the 17th for cases)

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ROUTINE NOTES.

[To be used only for notes, requisit

I am sorry this subject
was overlooked. It may
perhaps be taken up in
the usual course or at the

Interregnum ^{may}
Complete ^{to 3}

next meeting. I may however
add that this is the same proposal
in another form, which has been
A | turned down already. To raise the
D. A. of the Rev. Asst.
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Muz Br
Muz Br
Muz Br

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[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., as indicated in material record.]

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the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on
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Dr. reply to m. c. Submtr.
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No. G. 11414-28/G. M. 1-28 19 Bangalore, Dated 13th March 1929.

The following programme of the meeting of the Dewan and the Member in charge with the Heads of Departments during the month of March 1929 is forwarded for information and guidance.

PROGRAMME.

By Order,

For General Secretary to Government.

To—The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Settlement in Mysore.
The Excise Commissioner and Commissioner of Income Tax in Mysore.
The Director of Public Instruction in Mysore.
The Director of Agriculture in Mysore.
The Chief Conservator of Forests in Mysore.
The Inspector General of Police in Mysore.
The Senior Surgeon in Mysore.
The Sanitary Commissioner in Mysore.
The Chief Commandant, Mysore State Troops.
The Chief Judge of Mysore.
The Director of Industries and Commerce in Mysore.
The Director of Geology in Mysore.
The Registrar of Co-operative Societies in Mysore.
The Director of Horticulture in Mysore.

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1 Enclosure.

OFFICE OF THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER
IN MYSORE,

Dated, Bangalore.

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FROM

P. G. D'SOUZA, ESQ., B.A., B.L.,
Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.

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TO

Financial
The ~~Chief~~ Secretary to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Bangalore.

Wg 351-28-10968

Wg Mr L
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SIR,

I have the honour to state that since I assumed charge of the Muzrai Department, the question of improving the efficiency of the administration of the Muzrai Institutions with special reference to the improvement of their financial resources has been engaging my attention. In Mysore each Muzrai Institution is a sort of an independent entity and there being no religious hierarchy for controlling the institutions there is ~~no~~ ^{no} body that can exercise any direct authority over the archa and other temple servants who are responsible for the worship and other services in the institutions. There is no public opinion worth mentioning and the affairs of most institutions are therefore ~~kept~~ ^{still} in a most unsatisfactory state, so that government supervision is absolutely necessary in order to avoid serious abuses. So local revenue officers are expected to devote special attention to the condition of Muzrai institutions and take action to remove defects and abuses. But on account of their multitudinous duties, they have very little time to devote to this item of work and at the higher officers have still less time neglect and maladministration are not at present efficiently checked. It is true that by the appointment of Muzrai Auditors we have now introduced our agency to examine the affairs of each institution continuously. The proper auditing of Muzrai accounts and scrutiny over items of expenditure and whether the endowments are being properly administered are some of the duties that are now being

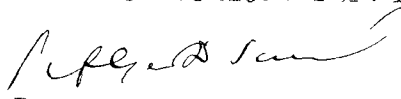
attended to by them. But I am strongly of the opinion that there should be some strong central authority to supervise all that is done by them and the local officers since haphazard attempts are not calculated to produce any substantial results. Even in the Madras Presidency where public opinion is much stronger it has been found necessary to create a special department for the control of religious institutions. If government intend that some improvement should be made in the administration of the institutions, it will be necessary to ~~reserve~~^{reserve} the appointment of Muzrai Superintendent but as Government may not find it convenient to sanction that appointment on account of the heavy cost involved, I am submitting for consideration of Government other proposals in order to make the supervision over the Muzrai institutions more effective. I am enclosing herewith a copy of a circular that I have recently issued as a result of my examination of the condition of several Muzrai institutions which indicates some of the glaring defects in most of the institutions. There are many other defects which it is not necessary for me to refer to here in greater detail. In order to effect a substantial improvement in the administration of Muzrai institutions, it is necessary to make the local officers responsible for their proper management but at the same time there should be constant supervision by some superior authority. It is impossible for the Muzrai Commissioner with his numerous duties to attend to these matters carefully and it is therefore necessary for Government to give him some help in order to carry on the supervision work satisfactorily. The Revenue and Muzrai Commissioner has now two Assistants. The senior Assistant may generally be of the grade of a Senior Assistant Commissioner and should be subject to the control of the Muzrai Commissioner be required to pay special attention to the proper working of the Muzrai institutions and should also be allowed to go out under the orders of the Muzrai Commissioner and inspect in detail the religious institutions belonging to the Muzrai Department. This does not mean that he should in any way interfere with the responsibility

in the authority of the Deputy Commissioner in the execution of his
 actions. If any defect is found in the work of the Deputy Commissioner
 to the notice of the Deputy Commissioner, it should be possible for him to
 Commissioner. It should be possible for him to do so along with his other duties,
 but it is necessary that the status and responsibility should be given to him over the work done by
 by a separate arrangement on the part of the Deputy Commissioner. I
 beg to suggest therefore that the Deputy Commissioner to the Deputy
 Commissioner may also be appointed as Deputy Commissioner and therefore
 to help the Deputy Commissioner in carrying out the duties of the
 Deputy Commissioner. On account of these additional duties he may
 be given a consolidated duty all round of Rs 100/- per month instead
 of Rs 50/- now given to him. No extra staff is required as it is
 possible by suitable adjustment to get the work done in the
 sanctioned establishment of the Deputy Commissioner's office. A great
 deal has been done for improving the condition of the Deputy
 institutions and the time has now come for more effective action and
 this can be done if the supervision of the Deputy Commissioner is
 made more effective.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant,


 P. V. S. Rao, Commissioner.

No.

Office of the Muzrai Commissioner in Mysore.

Dated Bangalore, 21st December 1923.

Circular.

The following are some of the principal defects requiring immediate attention on the part of the Deputy Commissioners in regard to Muzrai matters.

1. Necessary enquiry has not been made to find out the -- actual income of a good many institutions which were provisionally classed as village i.e. with income of less than Rs.100/-. Since the Government have sanctioned costly establishments for Muzrai work in the various offices by the levy of ~~xxx~~ percentage contribution on the income of major and minor institutions on the -- strength of the resources of the Muzrai Establishment Fund, it is very important that the number of institutions contributing to -- the Establishment Fund should be increased. It is also very -- necessary to periodically revise the scales of income and ----- expenditure of institutions now classed as major and minor. The Deputy Commissioner's of Districts are requested to get a detailed examination made and furnish a report with in 3 months.

2. The Inam endowments of certain minor temples are left in the possession of temple servants in accordance with the instructions given in G.O.No.2101 Muz.187-22-2 dated 18th January 1923, subject to their meeting all charges on account of establishment and katile and payment of a reserve amount annually towards ----- "Reserve for Repairs" and Percentage contribution to Establishment Fund." The amount of Reserve is fixed arbitrarily. This is -- irregular. In the case of all such institutions the actual -- income from the inam endowments should be determined and the -- reserve amount fixed at 15 to 20% of the income as prescribed -- in rules.

3. The inam endowments of village institutions are left in the possession of the pujari or the villagers. There is absolutely no control over these. These institutions ---- cannot therefore build up a reserve and in case funds are required for the renovation of the building either the --- villagers or the pujari are expected to provide such funds. This ^{has} resulted in progressive deterioration of the temples for it is not easy to induce the villagers or the pujaris to undertake temple renovation and the institution in ----- consequence tends to become defunct. In order to avoid such contingency, each person in the possession and enjoyment -- of the inam endowments of village institutions should be -- made to pay annually a fixed amount into the Government --- Treasury to build up a reserve.

4. The management of certain inam villages endowed to - the Muzrai institutions is not satisfactory. In the case of a few, survey and settlement have not been introduced -- although it is required by rules that Survey and Settlement should be introduced into villages under Government manage- ment. Action should be taken immediately to get Survey and Settlement introduced into all inam villages belong-~~ing~~// ing to Muzrai Institutions.

5. Collection work is slack. To ensure prompt ----- collection the work may be entrusted to the village ~~officers~~ officials. Where the amount of collection is large ----- recommendation may be made to pay a commission to the ----- village officials.

6. Government in their order No.2892-901 M.F.5-96- dated 10th March 1904 have directed that the income of Muzrai --- Institutions should be scrutinized and audited properly. At present the Comptroller audits only expenditure with -- reference to total tasdik ~~sc~~ scales under the large heads -- (a) Establishment (b) Nityakatle (c) Hetchukatle etc.,

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 reference to total cash in sales under the name of --
 (a) Establishment (b) Muzrai (c) Miscellaneous etc.,

The revenues accruing from the lands endowed to -- Muzrai institutions and the other sources of income -- are not audited in the Comptroller's Office as it is required to be attended to in the Muzrai Commissioner's office. As only lumpsum credits and debits are ---- compiled in this office from 25-26 there is no regular audit of income and expenditure and consequently there is no check over the Demand and Collection of the -- income of Muzrai Institutions. Arrangements will -- therefore be made in the Muzrai Commissioner's office for a regular audit of income and expenditure.

7. D.C.B statements are not maintained either in the Taluk or District offices. The Deputy Commissioners are requested to arrange to have a Muzrai D.C.B sent - monthly as in the case of Land Revenue D.C.B.

8. Some Muzrai institutions have savings Bank Deposits. There is at present no check over these investments and it is not known how much money belonging to Muzrai ---- institutions is in Savings Bank Deposits. There is - much irregularity in this connection e.g. interest on puduvat amounts meant for services is not drawn regularly and savings Bank accounts have been opened even for sums less than Rs.100/- etc., Monthly statements of Savings Bank Deposits should be obtained from Taluks and ----- compiled in the Muzrai Commissioner's Office.

9. The printed Muzrai Quit rent register has to be --- revised with reference to the latest survey records. The endowments of institutions are not to be found under one serial but appear under different serials. So in order to find out the total extent of endowments of an institution several pages of the quit-rent register have to be referred to. If the register is revised bringing

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compiled in the Municipal Commissioner's Office.

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in under one serial No. all the endowments of a --- particular institution it would afford ready references. Certain institutions have endowments in taluks other - than the one in which they are situated. Information in regard to all such endowments should be collected and printed as an annexure to the quit rent register - of the Taluk in which the institution~~s~~ is situated. Certain institutions own fully assessed lands also. These are not found in the quitrent register. Details as to all such lands should be collected from the --- Khetwar and printed as an annexure to the quit rent -- register.

If the existing quit rent register is revised as above it will serve as an exhaustive index of the land endowment of Muzrai institutions.

The revision of the quit rent register may be got done by the Taluk gumastas. The inam portion of the above register may be got verified by the inam Department and a fresh register printed.

The cash grant (i.e. the ready money inam register) has also to be revised as there are changes. This work may be attended to in the Muzrai Commissioners office -- and while revising this register details of the nehimi allowances in favour of Muzrai institutions should also be properly recorded. The malnad cash grant register too has to be revised.

Inspection.

Inspection of minor and village institutions are - not regularly conducted by Amildars and Shekdars as -- required by rules. In the case of institutions which are stated to have been inspected by Amildars and --- Shekdars, copies of inspection notes are not maintained in Taluk office. As per rules contained in G.O.No. 3067-80/Muz.421-17-1 dated 3rd April 1919 copies of -- inspection

inspection notes were required to be sent to the
 Muster Superintendent's Office and this was disconti-
 nued in G.O. No. 284-27/M. 39-82-2 dated 32-7-1928.
 There is therefore no data to verify if inspections
 are conducted. Unless copies of inspection notes are
 kept in Tank Office proper supervision over -----
 inspection can be exercised. All inspection notes
 of Sub Division Officers and Officers above the Sub
 Division Officers grade should be sent to the Muster
 Commissioner. Information should be incorporated in
 the annual report as to the percentage of institutions
 so inspected.

Jewel lists are defective. Lists of village -
 institutions are not inspected and listed. Inspectors
 able jewels are allowed to account for an excessive
 offerings. Steps should be taken to ensure that
 complete and exhaustive lists of such jewels prepared.

Puduvast Loans.

Correct lists are not made. Action is not taken
 to recover the loans which have become time-barred.
 Government in their order No. 4255-62 dated 4th March
 1907 have issued definite instructions in the matter
 but attention is not paid to carry out the instruction
 Officers who fail to give effect to these instructions
 should be informed that they render themselves ---
 personally responsible for such negligence.

Form etc.

The existing forms of accounts and registers were
 prescribed by the Comptroller in 1904. Many of these
 have become obsolete. Action will be taken to revise
 the prescribed forms in consultation with the -----
 Comptroller.

W. A. S.

Muster Commissioner.

SUBJECT

Diary No of letter replied to

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Signed by *M. P. Somers*

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Examined by.....*M. P. Somers*

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To

..... *Mr. R. C. ...*

Sir,

Adverting to your letter
no. c. e (A) 41 of 21-12-1928
recommending a consolidate
allowance of Rs 100 to the
muz. ASSM to the P. C.
I am directed to state
that Govt do not consider
it necessary to enhance
the duty allowance of
the muz ASSM

I have etc

M. P. Somers
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